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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir:

This is responsive to the non-final Office Action mailed on May 6, 2005, and is timely filed.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 14 of this paper.

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Claims 1-76 are pending in the present application. Claims 1-21, 23, 24, 26-68, 70-76 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as being anticipated by Goertzel *et al.* (U.S. Patent No. 6,308,273). Claims 22, 25, and 69 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Goertzel *et al.* (U.S. Patent No. 6,508,710). Claims 1, 30, 35, 41, 43, and 48 have been amended. No claims have been added nor canceled. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the rejected claims. Applicants respectfully contend that the differences between the claimed invention and the cited references are such that the claimed invention is patentably distinct over the cited references.